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## Keesler tests hurricane preparedness

### Fictional 'Michael' villain of 5-day exercise scenario

By Susan Griggs

Keesler News staff

With the June 1 start of the hurricane season just a month away, Keesler took aim at storm preparedness with last week's exercise.

The scenario took the base from the formation of a tropical depression in the Caribbean Sea near Jamaica on May 1 through evacuation and sheltering for Category 4 "Hurricane Michael" at week's end.

Such preparations bear special importance for Keesler, which was pounded by Hurricane Katrina, the most destructive natural disaster in U.S. history, 20 months ago. Many civilians and military members who were here then have vivid memories of the storm's devastation, while newcomers need information about what a hurricane threat could mean to Airmen and their families.

Although a "hotwash" to discuss the successes and shortcomings of the exercise

won't take place until Friday, some key players are reviewing the base's response.

Lt. Col. Mack Breeland, 81st Training Wing inspector general, noted several meetings were held over the past two months to ensure the exercise captured the required actions.

"The end result took the wing through multiple scenarios testing its capabilities," he said. "On the last day of the exercise, the wing had all six shelters open and non-prior service Airmen from the 81st Training Group were processed into each shelter."

The wing also used the week to emphasize hurricane preparedness in other ways.

"There were two wing calls and a town hall meeting for all permanent party personnel and their dependents," Colonel Breeland pointed out. "Several briefers covered hurricane terminology, previous lessons learned and key steps

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Photo by Kemberly Groue

From left, John Dunn, Greg Wilson and Senior Airman Trevor Connelly, 81st Civil Engineer Squadron, board up an entrance to Wolfe Hall as "Hurricane Michael" approaches the base May 3.

## This week in the Triangle

Computer networking cryptographic system, 10 a.m. today, Bryan Hall.  
Ground radio communications, 10 a.m. today, Jones Hall.  
Air traffic control-radar, 9 a.m. Friday, Cody Hall.  
Air traffic control-tower, 10 a.m. Friday, Cody Hall.  
Communications-computer systems programming, 10 a.m. Tuesday, Thomson Hall.  
Computer networking cryptographic system, 10 a.m. Tuesday, Bryan Hall.  
Personnel, 10 a.m. Tuesday, Wolfe Hall.  
Visual imagery and intrusion detection systems, 10 a.m. Tuesday, Jones Hall.  
Weather forecaster, 10 a.m. Tuesday, weather training complex.  
Comm-computer systems planning, implementation, 10 a.m. Wednesday, Thomson Hall.  
Precision measurement equipment lab, 2 p.m. Wednesday, Wolfe Hall.  
Radio communication, 10 a.m. Wednesday, Thomson Hall.



**April honor flight**

### Student numbers

Total students — 3,026  
Non-prior service — 1,809  
Temporary duty — 1,083  
Joint service — 80  
Combat controllers — 27  
Medical — 27  
Non-prior service arrivals — 91  
Guard, Reserve — 703  
International — 39  
FY07 graduates — 14,943  
Total since 1942 — 2,252,915

## What's wrong with Airmen? NCOs, look in your mirror

By Lt. Col. Steven Ramsay

332nd Training Squadron commander

As a commander, I rely on my noncommissioned officers to know and enforce standards.

One of them, Tech. Sgt. Joseph Frenette, a military training leader, recently shared his feelings about the role of NCOs and standards. His words are powerful, not only for NCOs but all Airmen.

"As I go about my business on Keesler, whether shopping at the commissary or picking up uniforms from the cleaners at the mini-mall, I find myself wondering what has happened to us as NCOs. I can't figure out why so many basic Air Force standards are not being met or enforced.

"I was in the mini-mall and noticed a technical sergeant who looked like he just pulled his uniform out of a duffle bag. His pants were bloused to his ankles, his hands were in his pockets and he had sunglasses on top of his head. It was lunch time and I thought for sure with all the people in there, someone would correct him, but no one ever did.

"Finally, I stepped out of the line I was in and let him know what he needed to correct. After he recovered from the shock that someone would actually correct him, he took his hands out of his pockets and removed his sunglasses.

"I see this type of behavior every day all over the base. I could accept having to correct Airmen on these behaviors, but not NCOs

and senior NCOs. It comes down to integrity, one of our core values, which is about doing what is right when no one is watching.

"Another area where I find NCOs failing to set the example is physical fitness. The Air Force standard has been in place for several years now, and I still find it hard to believe we have so many unfit Airmen. By Airmen, I mean everyone. Too many people are using waivers to avoid physical training or they just don't do it.

"I've deployed to Iraq and many other places just like everyone else. If you aren't in shape, you can run into some serious health issues and a deployed location isn't the place to be dealing with them.

"NCOs frequently ask, 'What's wrong with the young Airmen today?' The answer is us. We aren't setting the example and we aren't enforcing or maintaining standards.

"Airmen are looking for leadership, and in many cases, they just aren't getting it. I see more and more NCOs who just don't seem to care, and that attitude is reflected in our young Airmen.

"Before we question the quality of Airmen, we need to look in the mirror. As the new Airman's Creed reminds us, 'My mission is to fly, fight and win. I am faithful to a proud heritage, a tradition of honor, and a legacy of valor.'

"That legacy begins with being the best Airman you can be."

## ACTION LINE ... 377-4357

By Brig. Gen. Paul Capasso

81st Training Wing commander

You're encouraged to work your concerns through your chain of command or to contact an appropriate helping agent. For matters left unresolved, call the commander's action line for assistance.

We welcome any suggestions to help make this a more valuable and useful tool. You may call the commander's action line at 377-4357, write to Commander's Action Line, 81st TRW/PA, Keesler AFB, MS 39534-2603, e-mail 81st TRW Commander's Action Line (on-base) or commanders.line@keesler.af.mil (off-base). For a personal response, include your name, address and phone number.

Items of general interest may appear in this column.

For your convenience, below is a list of key customer service phone numbers at Keesler:

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Base operator — 377-1110

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Career assistance adviser — 377-3697

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Child development center — 377-2211

Civil engineering — 377-5561

Civilian personnel — 377-2268

Military personnel flight — 377-2276

Keesler Federal Credit Union — 385-5500

Emergencies — 911

Family campground — 594-0543

Airmen and family readiness center — 377-2179

Finance — 377-4212

81st Communications Squadron help desk — 377-0066

Housing — 377-9741

Identification cards — 377-3203

Inspector general — 377-3010

Legal assistance — 377-3510

Library — 377-2181

Lodging (reservations) — 377-9986

Medical center information — 377-6550

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Military pay — 377-7272

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Red Cross — 377-0732.

Sexual assault prevention and response team — 377-8635

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Shoppette, Class Six — 432-2367

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Traffic management (outbound) — 377-2446

Traffic management (inbound) — 377-7813

Visitor center — 377-2595

Youth center — 377-4116

## Pedestrians: Rules of road apply to you, too

By Perry Jenifer

Keesler News editor

You're on foot. I'm driving a vehicle that weighs in at 2 1/4 tons. If we make contact, the outcome is a no-brainer.

Incredibly, some pedestrians just don't get it. Or, they think the rules of the road don't apply to them.

Take, for example, the slender blonde in a white T-shirt, blue shorts and sneakers who crossed Meadows Drive against the red light and directly in front of my vehicle the other day.

The traffic light turned red as I approached the intersection of Meadows Drive and Larcher Boulevard shortly after 4 p.m. I stopped.

When the light facing traffic on Meadows Drive

changed to green, I counted 1 ... 2 ... 3 under my breath, then moved my foot from the brake to the accelerator. My vehicle moved forward — suddenly, there she was. My foot lept back to the brake pedal.

To my amazement, she continued on her way without so much as a turn of her head, apparently unaware she'd been within inches of becoming a bloody, broken hood ornament. Equally surprising, the vehicle behind mine came up short of attaching itself to my rear bumper.

Collecting myself, I crossed the intersection and proceeded toward the Meadows Drive Gate.

Actually, it took me all the way to the gate ... to collect myself, that is.

My heart pounded so hard it seemed about to

burst through my chest. My stomach fired a knot the size of a golf ball into my throat. Recalling the scene from the movie Casino where a guy's head was squeezed in a vise until his eyeballs popped out, my head felt like what I imagine his must have.

As I drove out the gate, making my way to I-110 and home, those feelings slowly gave way to anger, sadness and hurt. I was angry that she ignored the traffic light. It made me sad to think how badly she might've been injured. I felt hurt that she made me a psychological and emotional victim of her thoughtless act.

I didn't deserve what that slender blonde pedestrian in a white T-shirt, blue shorts and sneakers put me through. No motorist does.

Drinking + driving = deadly duo.

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Phone numbers and Web sites  
for information and accountability  
for Keesler members:

### Personnel Accountability Team

1-800-673-9356

### Air Force Personnel Center

1-800-435-9941

<http://www.afpc.randolph.af.mil/ndw>

### 81st Civil Engineer Squadron readiness

377-3811 or DSN 597-3811

### Mississippi Emergency Management Agency

<http://www.msema.org>

### National Weather Service

<http://www.nws.noaa.gov>

### Keesler Public Web site

<http://www.keesler.af.mil>

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of a hurricane threat.**



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# TRAINING AND EDUCATION

## Medics train to respond



Photo by Steve Pivnick

From left, Max Claypool, Washington, D.C.-area consulting firm L3, assists Senior Airmen Tommy Nicaj and Brandon Kahli, 81st Medical Operations Squadron, during a medical response and training exercise outside Keesler Medical Center May 3. The exercise was designed to help immediate medical response teams who report to the scene of mass-casualty incidents and triage patients prior to moving them to a medical facility. Medical officials designated the site a no-hat area for the exercise.

## Joint training New system goes online

By Donna Miles

American Forces Press Service

WASHINGTON — A new system unveiled last month is designed to better prepare service members to operate with other services, government agencies, foreign militaries and non-governmental organizations while reducing the time they spend away from home or their units for military classes.

David Chu, undersecretary of defense for personnel and readiness, joined Air Force Gen. Lance Smith, commander of Joint Forces Command, at the general's headquarters in Suffolk, Va., to officially cut the ribbon on the new Joint Knowledge Online enterprise portal system.

The system went live worldwide April 30 to deliver coursework and learning tools for people involved in integrated joint operations, General Smith told reporters during a teleconference following the ceremony.

Mr. Chu called JKO a major step in the Defense Department's training transformation effort to improve how it prepares its people for their missions around the world. It recognizes that operations now and in the future will be

not just joint, but also integrated, meaning they include elements of other U.S. government agencies, foreign militaries and non-governmental organizations, he said.

"For our forces to be effective in that world, they have to prepare with a joint perspective from the start," he said.

JKO's distance-learning classes give users a chance to learn or brush up on skills they need to operate in a challenging and constantly changing environment, Mr. Chu said.

General Smith said JKO's unveiling represents a big step toward improving individual training that helps prepare troops to go to war.

"It makes sure that when our Soldiers and Sailors and Airmen and Marines are out there in the field having to fight a war, that those over them, especially in the joint arena, are prepared to make the kind of decisions that need to be made so they can go do their mission, and know that they are trained to do it," General Smith said. "So it fills a very important capability for us."

JKO delivers this critical training with consideration to the heavy demands already being placed on service members' personal time, he said.

# Turning CCAF diplomas into bachelor's degrees

By Staff Sgt. Matthew Bates

Air Force News Agency

MAXWELL-GUNTER Air Force Base, Ala. — A new program developed by Air University allows Airmen to turn a Community College of the Air Force associate's degree into a bachelor's degree from an accredited university.

The Associate-to-Baccalaureate Cooperative does this by establishing a partnership with various civilian higher-education institutions to offer four-year degree opportunities via distance learning.

As part of this partnership, participating schools and universities accept all of the credits earned by Airmen who have attained a CCAF degree and apply them to a bachelor's degree related to their Air Force specialty.

"Through this program, Airmen are going to be halfway to their bachelor's with guaranteed acceptance and guar-

anteed credit transfer to any school participating in the ABC program," said Col. Thomas Klinicar, CCAF commandant. "And, because this is a distance learning program, they will be able to do this from anywhere in the world."

The program also makes the transfer process easier for Airmen, he added.

"In the past, Airmen would apply to a college, submit their transcripts and talk to a counselor about classes available," the commandant said. "The college would look over the transcripts and accept some credits, but not others, and then the Airmen would have to go through the acceptance process. This new program will eliminate that experience."

Through the ABC program, Airmen can use the Air Force Portal and the virtual education center to access a list of participating universities. From

there, the application process is basically point-and-click.

"There's no need to order transcripts or fill out any application forms," said Colonel Klinicar. "Instead, CCAF will electronically send an Airman's credits to the university of his or her choice that is participating and the Airman will receive a message saying 'Congratulations ... welcome to our program, let's get started.'"

The program not only benefits Airmen seeking a four-year degree, but the Air Force also gains more knowledgeable Airmen in a timely and efficient manner.

"It's basically a win-win situation," said Colonel Klinicar. "Individuals win because they won't waste time or effort earning degrees and the Air Force wins because its enlisted force will be earning career-focused degrees they can use on a daily basis."

The program benefits the universi-

ties involved as well. There are currently 60,000 eligible CCAF graduates in the Air Force who can take advantage of the ABC program, each of whom is the type of student universities try to attract.

"Each of our graduates is coming on board with 100 percent tuition assistance, and they are proven, successful students who are smart and already have an accredited degree," said Colonel Klinicar. "So, universities salivate at the idea of recruiting these students."

The ABC program is set to kick off in June.

Currently, 20 colleges offer 30 degree programs as part of the cooperative. Ultimately, every Air Force specialty will have at least one degree offering within the program.

For more information, visit the virtual education center via the Air Force Portal or base education offices.

# TRAINING AND EDUCATION NOTES

## Carey registration

William Carey University registration for the summer trimester is under way.

Classes begin May 25.

Applications are being accepted for both new and readmitting students.

Discounted tuition rates are available to active-duty military, their dependents, retirees and Defense Department civilians.

For more information, visit Room 208, old Cody Hall, or call 377-0090.

## Parades, drill downs

The 81st Training Group's student parades are May 31, July 12, Sept. 20 and Nov. 15.

Drill downs are 7 a.m. June 15 and Aug. 10, and 8 a.m. Oct. 19.

For more information on parades, call Staff Sgt. Kwame

Felton, 377-3245, and for drill downs, call Tech. Sgt. Steven Joyce, 377-2737.

## Mandatory training

The legal office provides mandatory annual homosexual policy training for military and civilian supervisors, commanders and law enforcement officials.

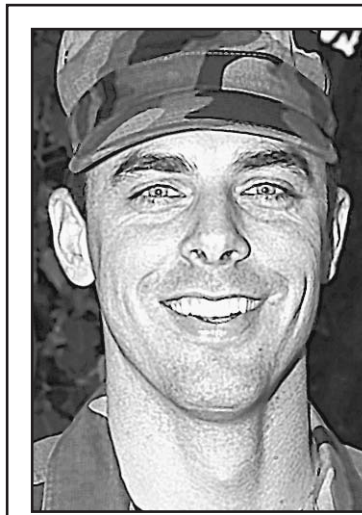
Training is 9 a.m. June 12, Aug. 14, Oct. 9 and Dec. 11 in Wolfe Hall.

For more information, call 377-3510.

## Officer records

For officers to update their academic records, the Air Force Institute of Technology requires an official transcript sent to this address:

AFIT/RRE, 2950 P St., Wright-Patterson AFB OH 45433-7765.



## Future medic

Tech. Sgt. Nathan Goeke, command post training manager, is one of 13 enlisted members chosen to attend the Tri-Service Physician Assistant Training Program at Fort Sam Houston, Texas, in January. He's been at Keesler for four of his 13 years in the Air Force and has a bachelor's degree in chemistry from Southern Illinois University.

## Bypass testing

Up to 30 hours of bypass testing credit can be used toward a 64-hour Community College of the Air Force degree.

For more information, call 377-0090.

## Scholarship program

Homefront America, Inc., a nonprofit organization, has partnered with the W. Daniel Tate Family and Sara's Hope Foundation to fund a scholarship program for military children.

The American Patriot Freedom Scholarship Award essay contest provides 20 individual \$1,000 scholarships.

For more information, go to <http://www.nmfa.org>.

## Senior leader course

The non-resident Air War College senior leader course is open to active-duty, National Guard and Reserve members selected for lieutenant colonel and above of any component of the armed forces and Defense Department general schedule 13 and above civilian employees.

The distance learning program may be completed on your own or with a group seminar.

To enroll, go to <http://www.au.af.mil/au/awc/awchome.htm>

For more information or to set up a seminar group, call Joyce James, 377-7159.

# NEWS AND FEATURES

## Mission supporters claim three Air Force awards

By Tech. Sgt. Chuck Marsh

Keesler News staff

The 81st Mission Support Squadron won three Air Force awards for fiscal 2006.

**The military personnel flight** earned the Gerrit D. Foster Jr. Outstanding Military Personnel Flight Achievement Award.

**The education office** won the Nathan Altschuler Outstanding Education and Training Flight Achievement Award.

**Tech. Sgt. Susan Tennant** received the enlisted professional military education achievement award in the Airman Leadership School instructor category.

The military personnel flight overcame many obstacles after Hurricane Katrina devastated the base.

Staff members worked with the finance and transportation offices to interpret entitlements and allocate more than \$4 million in permanent change-of-station costs.

In Katrina's wake, the flight secured more than 400 initial assignment briefings, a 700-percent increase. They also managed more than 1,100 reenlistments and extensions with no discrepancies.

As a test base for self-service kiosks, personnel reduced



Sergeant Tennant

customer service wait time by 22 percent.

The flight also processed more than 250 data traffic patterns involving relay of personnel information between Keesler and 24 deployed locations with 99.9 percent accuracy and 100 percent accountability.

The education office increased civilian tuition assistance programs by 20 percent and enrollments by 21 percent. In Katrina's aftermath, the staff brought programs back to Keesler with 3,700 enrollments at 89 schools, spending \$1.5 million in tuition assistance. Two open houses served more than 200 prospective students.

After Katrina disrupted studies of many students, the education staff saved the Air Force more than \$99,000 by convincing colleges not to charge for dropped classes.

Administering 497 college-level examination program and defense activity for non-traditional education support exams saved the Air Force roughly \$249,000 in tuition assistance.

Sergeant Tennant was the ALS deputy flight chief for more than three months while 40-percent manned and directed two graduations of 41 students.

She composed a schedule that met production quotas by preventing students from being sent on temporary duty for training with \$320,000 in savings and generated electronic study guides for students on CDs which slashed printing costs by \$4,000 per quarter.

Sergeant Tennant led a joint training session with an instructor from Air Force Space Command resulting in benchmarked PME guidance and policy across two commands.

She sought support from base organizations to raise more than \$3,000 to remodel flight rooms. She managed more than \$9,000 worth of equipment and supplies for a 28-member team that built five homes for Katrina victims.

## Friday is Keesler Pride Day

By 2nd Lt. Nick Plante

Keesler News staff

Friday's Keesler Pride Day is a time for general cleanup and completing ongoing improvement projects, said Lt. Col. Jeff Szatanek, 81st Civil Engineer Squadron operations flight commander.

"All facility managers, facility users and base housing residents should look at all projects inside and out and use the day as an opportunity to spruce up their areas," he said.

Colonel Szatanek said the day is a good time for units to practice policing their areas as outlined in the hurricane cleanup plan.

Housing residents who ordered plants from the self-help store can pick them up today at its new location in Building 4039 at the corner of Z Street and Ploesti Drive.

Facility managers and housing residents who didn't place orders, call Charles Moore, 377-5292, for availability of extra plants.

The store offers free impatiens, margarita, salvia, celosia, vinca and begonia plants for beautification projects. Fertilizer, grass seed, mulch, peat moss and landscape stones are also available.

The 81st CES offers curbside pickup of large items during the day.

For more information, call 377-5397.

## IN THE NEWS

### 100 days left until ORI

Friday marks 100 days to the arrival of the Air Education and Training Command Inspector General Team for Keesler's first operational readiness inspection in nearly 3 1/2 years.

The inspectors arrive Aug. 19 and the inspection is scheduled to run Aug. 20-27.

"As we prepare, many tools are available on the ORI 2007 site of the Keesler home page," said Lt. Col. Mack Breland, 81st Training Wing inspector general.

"The Web site has cross-tell ORI reports from recent AETC inspections, including Keesler's last ORI in March 2004," he added. "Also available is the wing's 150-day countdown checklist of general information on areas on which everyone needs to focus."

### Formal retreat May 17

A formal retreat is 5 p.m. May 17, in front of 81st Training Wing headquarters.

The 81st Training Wing staff agencies perform the ceremony.

### Air Force couple convicted

Air Force News Service

MAXWELL Air Force Base, Ala. — An Air Force couple was convicted of numerous charges under the Uniform Code of Military Justice in separate general courts-martial at Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala., recently.

Airman 1st Class Joshua Young, 754th Electronic Systems Group, was convicted of wrongfully using cocaine and heroin, writing bad checks and being absent without leave. He was sentenced to six months confinement, a bad-conduct discharge, forfeiture of \$850 for six months and reduction to the lowest enlisted pay grade.

Young's wife, Airman Meghan Higgins, Air University's College of Enlisted Professional Military Education, was convicted of wrongfully using cocaine, writing bad checks and disobeying her commander's orders. She was sentenced to six months confinement, a bad-conduct discharge, forfeiture of \$810 for four months and a reduction to the lowest enlisted pay grade.

### Biloxi tribute to Air Force

Biloxi's Ohr-O'Keefe Museum of Art hosts "Remember the Flyboys," an exhibit of original photographs commemorating the Air Force's 60th anniversary, May 24-31, at 1596 Glenn Swetman Drive.

An opening reception and program, 5:30 p.m. May 24, features Martha Stephenson, whose late husband flew a B-24 in Europe during World War II and collected dozens of photos from the period, and WLOX-TV anchor Jeff Lawson.

For more information, call 374-5547 or visit <http://www.georgeohr.org>.

### Off-limits establishments

Off-limits establishments for military members are the Blue Note Lounge, Boulevard Nightclub and Henry Beck Park (except during daylight hours or official events) in Biloxi; Carver Village, Bunksmall Apartments and H&H Hideaway in Pascagoula, and Toni's Lounge in Moss Point.

# Exercise,

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that members need to take to prepare for hurricane season.

"The exercise was an overall success," he said. "We were able to go through the entire scenario from preparatory actions to post hurricane response. We reviewed our various response teams, actions required at various stages of a hurricane and items we still need to work on. There's still some work to do to ensure we are fully ready, but last week's efforts made the wing better prepared."

Maj. Jim Quiros, exercise evaluation team chief, works with units to develop scenarios that test the wing's readiness and ability to meet requirements of a hurricane,

severe weather, mass casualty or other situations.

"The HURCON exercise was presented as a way to facilitate discussions among all units that will need to help Keesler conduct operations before, during and after a hurricane," the major explained. "We ran scenarios testing all aspects of our hurricane plan, from student evacuations by planes or buses all the way to evacuation of all non-storm mission essential personnel."

"By the end of the week, all unit commanders and key players had discussed in details all the steps needed to ensure Keesler was ready for the upcoming hurricane season, but most importantly, ready to meet our mission — to deliver the nation's best trained and motivated Airmen," he said.

Lt. Col. Elia Sanjume, a shelter commander during Hurricane Katrina, said because last year was a no-hurricane season for Keesler, the base was limited in its efforts to test new procedures and process improvements.

"After Katrina, there were lessons learned and areas that needed tweaking," she said. "This hurricane exercise allowed the remaining experienced personnel to work with the many new and inexperienced team members and show them what worked, what didn't, why, and to test out improvements."

For example, the 81st TRG modified the HURCON database fields to allow squadrons to access and sort the data more effectively.

"I found that pulling personnel accountability data was

much smoother and easier to manage since we could sort by key fields like class number and flight," Colonel Sanjume observed. "The wing was also able to test out the personnel accountability team process and 1-800 number with select squadrons."

"In addition, the pace of an exercise is magnified at least 10 times during a real-world storm, so the exercise gave new team members a taste of the franticness, tasks and confusion that occur during a hurricane," she emphasized.

Second Lt. Justin Delorit, readiness chief for the 81st Civil Engineer Squadron, was impressed with the performance of the shelter management teams the readiness flight equips and trains.

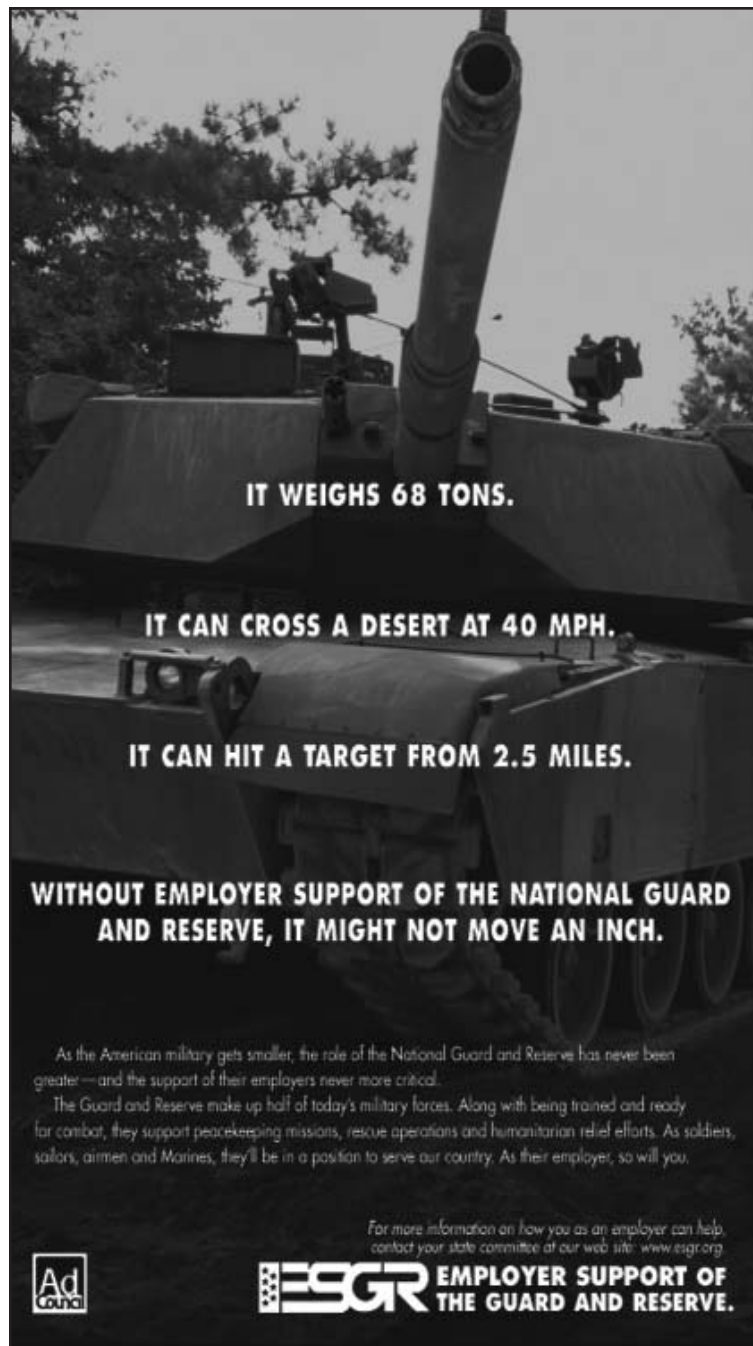
"Every member was actively involved in some shelter

management process," he said. "They were wearing proper identification, had all signage in place and reported shelter occupancy statistics to the readiness control center with regular frequency."

Approximately 300 technical training students and permanent party personnel processed for sheltering.

Before the exercise and in preparation for the upcoming hurricane season, the 81st Services Division delivered more than 24,000 meals-ready-to-eat to Keesler's six designated shelters, according to Glenn Jones, food service chief.

"In addition, the flight kitchen prepared 600 breakfast and lunch meals Friday in support of the sheltering phase of the HURCON exercise," he added.



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# PERSONNEL NOTES

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## Apply for citizenship online

### Air Force News Service

RANDOLPH Air Force Base, Texas — Active-duty Airmen may now apply for U.S. citizenship via the Air Force Personnel Center's Web site or through the virtual military personnel flight, furthering personnel services delivery transformation.

Citizenship application procedures are available on AFPC's citizenship application Web page.

The Web page provides immediate access to a broader spectrum of information, links to required forms and guidance from the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services.

Once completed, Airmen turn in the application to their commander's support staff for review. Airmen then mail the completed citizenship application to the U.S. CIS Nebraska Service Center for processing.

Upon approval of citizenship status, Airmen provide their naturalization certificate to their commander's support staff to update their status in the Military Personnel Data System.

For more information, visit your commander's support staff or call the Air Force Contact Center, 1-800-616-3775 (Option 1,1,2), 1-210-565-5000 or DSN 665-5000.

## OneSource for information

Military OneSource provides information and resources on a variety of issues ranging from everyday concerns to deployment and reintegration.

The service is available to active-duty, Guard and Reserve Airmen and their family members around the clock and 365 days a year.

To access Military OneSource, visit <http://www.militaryone.com> or call 1-800-707-5784.

## Retirement applications online

### Air Force Print News

RANDOLPH Air Force Base, Texas — Active-duty retirement applications are processed at the Air Force Contact Center.

Members requesting an action related to retirement can log onto the personal services delivery transformation Web site and click on "retirement package" at <http://ask.afpc.randolph.af.mil/psd>.

## Civilian employment information

### Air Force Personnel Center

RANDOLPH Air Force Base, Texas — Civilian appropriated fund employees and prospective applicants can get answers to questions about employment opportunities, benefits and entitlements online at the Air Force's Customer Service Center.

A database at <http://www.afpc.randolph.af.mil/cst> includes hundreds of questions and answers. For online inquiries, users who don't find an answer to their specific question can submit a query through the "Ask-A-Question" tab at the top of the page.

## Airline ticket credit process

If an airline ticket was purchased with a government travel card, apply for the airline credit through your travel agent or the airline.

If credit isn't received within 30-45 days, call the Government Card Service Unit to file a dispute. The phone number is on the back of the card.

The bank requires a copy of the credit voucher for the unused ticket or refund. The credit voucher must include the name of the airline, date the ticket was purchased and ticket number.

For more information, go to [https://www.mil.keesler.af.mil/81cpts/FMF/GTCC/GTCC\\_main.htm](https://www.mil.keesler.af.mil/81cpts/FMF/GTCC/GTCC_main.htm) or <http://www.saffm.hq.mil/affsc/>.

# Summer heat presents potential health hazards

## American Forces Press Service

The old adage "Play with fire and you might get burned" could well be adapted to "Work or workout in the heat and you might get dead."

Working or exercising in the heat can cause heat-induced injuries ranging from cramps, fainting and rashes to life-threatening heat strokes, according to the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health in Cincinnati.

Heat also causes safety problems. More accidents happen in hot work areas than balmy ones, occupational safety experts said, blaming sweaty hands, dizziness and fogged safety glasses for many mishaps.

## Lowers awareness

Safety officials said heat lowers mental alertness and physical performance.

Increased body temperature and physical discomfort cause irritability, anger and other emotional states that may distract and endanger workers.

Many accidents can be avoided, they said, if workers are trained to recognize and prevent heat stress.

The body needs five to seven days to adjust — then workers are able to work in hot environments with less strain and distress. The experts also suggested employers implement work-rest cycles.

The experts and the Army's Soldier's Manual of Common Tasks described major, preventable heat-induced disorders.

## Heat stroke

Heat stroke can result in brain damage or death if treatment is delayed. It occurs when the body's temperature regulatory system fails. Cooling measures should be started immediately.

Symptoms include hot, dry, red or spotted skin. Body temperature soars to 105



degrees Fahrenheit or higher, and the casualty is mentally confused, delirious, perhaps in convulsions or unconscious.

The victim may also suffer headaches, dizziness, weakness, seizures and weak and rapid heartbeat and breathing.

First aid includes obtaining medical aid immediately, moving victims into a cool or shady area, loosening their clothing, immersing them in cool water or pouring water over them, fanning them, massaging their limbs and elevating their legs. A conscious victim should slowly drink at least one quart of cool water.

Heat exhaustion is caused by the loss of salt and large amounts of fluid from sweating.

Symptoms resemble the early symptoms of heat-stroke and include profuse sweating with pale, moist, cool skin; headaches; weakness; dizziness; giddiness; loss of appetite; cramps; nausea; chills; rapid breathing; confusion; tingling of the hands and feet; and an urge to defecate.

Treatment includes having the victim rest in a cool place and drink plenty of liquids. Casualties with mild cases usually recover quickly; severe cases may require care for several days.

Officials said there are no known permanent effects from heat exhaustion, but

they warn persons with heart problems or those on low-sodium diets should consult their doctor about possible consequences.

## Heat cramps

Heat cramps are painful muscle spasms that occur when a person who sweats profusely drinks large amounts of water, but doesn't replace the body's salt loss. The muscles normally affected are those used in performing work. The cramps can occur during or after work.

Treatment includes moving the victim to a cool or shady area, loosening clothing and having him or her slowly drink at least a canteen of water.

Fainting occurs when a worker not acclimated to heat stands erect and immobile, such as standing at attention in a military formation. The victim should recover soon after lying down.

Further fainting can be avoided by moving around to prevent the blood from pooling in one area.

## Heat rash

Heat rash, or prickly heat, occurs when sweat isn't removed from the skin in a hot, humid environment and the sweat ducts become plugged.

Officials said this condition can be prevented by resting in a cool place part of the day and by regularly bathing and drying the skin.

## Heat fatigue

Transient heat fatigue is temporary discomfort and mental or psychological strain caused by a prolonged exposure to heat. Victims can suffer a decline in work performance, coordination, alertness and vigilance.

The severity of the illness can be lessened by periods of gradual adjustment to hot environments, officials said.

# ASIST program continues despite AETC budget cuts

By 2nd Lt. Nick Plante

Keesler News staff

Keesler is continuing Applied Suicide Intervention Skills Training, despite funding cuts from Air Education and Training Command.

“Because of the costs and manning issues, Keesler has scaled back from six to eight classes per year to about three to four classes per year,” said Chaplain (Capt.) David Barns, ASIST program manager. “This will stretch out our current resources and allow us time to see what the budget for fiscal year 2008 looks like.”

ASIST is a two-day intensive workshop designed to help caregivers recognize risks and learn how to intervene and prevent the immediate risk of suicide.

Keesler currently has six trained ASIST instructors.

According to a March 23 memorandum from Gen. William Looney, AETC command-

er, “spiraling costs and manpower associated with the program has forced us to reassess ASIST. The ASIST program is one of many tools available to airman to address suicide prevention.”

However, the 81st Training Wing vice commander, Col. Richard Pierce, wants to keep ASIST available at Keesler.

“Despite our scaling-back of the actual classes, we will continue the program as long as possible, especially because of the training environment we’re in,” he said.

Chaplain Barns gave the Keesler Integrated Resource Team a status update on the program May 2. The KIRT, which is made up representatives from all the public service agencies on base, agreed to look closer into the situation at its next meeting June 6.

Meanwhile, the chapel, current lead agency for ASIST, is soliciting ideas and support throughout the wing to help sustain the program.

# Air Force aims to meet Airmen's stress relief needs

By Staff Sgt. Monique Randolph

Secretary of the Air Force Public Affairs

WASHINGTON — Airmen have a need, and Air Force leadership wants to meet it.

The Air Force currently has a wide range of programs in place to help the total force and their families manage stress. However, there's a concern that some aren't aware of these programs and not taking advantage of them.

"Whether you're the youngest Airman or the most senior chief on staff, you have stress. Everyone has stress," said Lt. Gen. Arthur Lichte, assistant vice chief of staff and director of staff.

"All Airmen need to know there are organizations and programs, available to them at their installations, to help them when they're in need."

## Community-based approach

The Air Force takes a community-based approach to help Airmen manage stress through the integrated delivery system. IDS is a group of cross-functional experts dedicated to the well-being of Airmen and their families.

Every base has an IDS team that coordinates and integrates the activities of all the base support agencies including airman and family readiness centers, sexual assault prevention and response, life skills, the chaplaincy, family advocacy, health promotions, family member programs and Air Reserve component representatives. Additionally, the IDS team can develop initiatives to address the specific concerns of an installation.

Beginning in June, IDS members kick off a series of monthly campaigns with themes that focus on specific programs to help manage potential areas of stress for Airmen and their families.

## Deployments high on stress list

"Deployments are definitely one source of stress that most Airmen can identify with, but that's not the entire story," General Lichte said. "What about the Airman who has lost a loved one or the member whose spouse is battling cancer?"

"While most of us were not on the Virginia Tech campus at the time of the shootings, we can just about imagine the kind of stress those students, faculty and family members are under," he said. "Although this particular stressor does not apply to me, I need to be aware of what others around me may be going through," the general added. "If someone we know or work with is dealing with issues like these, we

## New program serves Keesler

The chapel offers a new program of listening, prayers and encouragement through life's difficult times.

Keesler is one of more than 9,000 congregations representing more than 100 Christian denominations involved in Stephen Ministry, a trans-denominational care-giving ministry begun in St. Louis, Mo., in 1975.

A team of trained lay people from both the Protestant and Catholic worship services are being trained and equipped to provide quality one-on-one care to people facing a variety of personal crises. These volunteers aren't counselors or therapists, but are trained to help members of the base community cope with the loss of a loved one, divorce, separation, terminal illness, loneliness, depression, hospitalization and recovery after an accident or disaster.

To request an application for the training program or for more information, call Glenda Woodard or Delphine McIntyre, 377-2523.

have to think about what we can do to help them cope."

General Lichte said the campaign shouldn't be considered ancillary training or just another requirement.

"The purpose is to bring awareness about the potential causes of stress and educate Airmen about existing programs designed to help them identify, manage, treat and reduce stress," he said. "We want them to know about these programs and use them."

The following campaigns are scheduled for June through May 2008:

**June** — healthy relationships.

**July** — leadership.

**August** — deployment readiness.

**September** — legal support.

**October** — domestic violence awareness

**November** — military family appreciation.

**December** — holiday stress.

**January** — financial readiness.

**February** — health and wellness.

**March** — transitions.

**April** — child appreciation.

**May** — substance abuse prevention.

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# Asian-Pacific observance celebrates food today

**Food preparation demonstration** — 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. today, Vandenberg Community Center.

**Special meal menu** — May 23 at all three dining facilities; Chinese five-spice chicken, beef and broccoli stir fry, Cantonese spare ribs, egg rolls, shrimp fried rice, steamed rice and lemon sesame green beans.

**Food tasting** — 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. May 23, youth center; homemade lumpia, chicken, Mongolian beef, sweet-and-sour pork and Hunan beef.

**Lumpia sale** — place orders for delivery later in the month.

**Exhibit** — through May 31, McBride Library. Art and artifacts. For more information, call Larry McKean, 348-2714, or Senior Airman Rommel Hernandez, 376-3161.

# KEESLER NOTES

## Bundles for Babies

A Bundles for Babies class for expectant parents is 9 a.m. to noon Friday.

Participants receive baby items valued at \$75.

To register, call the airman and family readiness center, 377-2179.

## Legal office closure

The legal office is closed Tuesday for an Air Education and Training Command staff assistance visit.

For more information, call 377-3510.

## Parking lot closure

The parking lot on the southeast side of the Keesler NCO Academy Building is closed 7:15 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. May 23 for drill evaluations.

In case of inclement weather, the lot is open.

For more information, call Master Sgt. Rosetta Lee, 377-2740.

## Yard program

Military family housing's yard of the month competition runs May-September.

Housing inspectors nominate homes in each area. Winners receive a gift card from a home improvement store, and the military member is recommended for a one-day pass. The best of the area winners is named the Commander's Choice winner.

For more information, call 377-3821.

## Dorm managers

The 81st Civil Engineer Squadron Consolidated Dormitory Management Office is looking for Airmen for special duty positions.

The job is a two-year controlled tour, with a one-year extension option. Applicants must be staff sergeants or have a line number for staff sergeant and present copies of their last five enlisted performance reports.

Members with selective reenlistment bonuses or in mandatory retraining career fields are unable to apply.

Applications can be picked up 7 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday-Thursday and 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. working Fridays in Room 127, Building 4904.

For more information, call 377-1730.

## Entrance closed

Due to construction delays, Keesler Medical Center's A-Tower entrance is closed until early July.

## Heart Link

Heart Link, an orientation program for Air Force spouses of less than five years 7:30 a.m. June 21 in the Triangle Chapel.

To register, call the airman and family readiness center, 377-2179.

For information on limited child care, call Jackie Pope, 377-5346.

## Preschool playgroup

A preschool pals playgroup is offered 9:30-10:30 a.m. Thursdays in Room 100-B of the former Chapel One.

The group is a joint venture of the chapel and the family support center. The hour offers toys, games, music and a chance for parents to visit.

For more information, call Kristy LaBelle, 596-8215.

## Audiology clinic

Audiology and hearing aid services are available at the audiology clinic.

For appointments, call 1-800-700-8603.

## Banks open

Two banks close to construction projects on Larcher Boulevard are open for business.

BanCorpSouth and Keesler Federal Credit Union hours: 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday-Thursday, 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Friday.

The credit union drive-through facility is open 30 minutes later than the lobby area.

## Military rental

Force One Rental, 211 Larcher Blvd., Building 4818, offers truck and trailer rentals, package shipping and name tag engraving.

Hours are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. weekdays and 8 a.m. to noon Saturdays.

## Thrift shop

The thrift shop in the former Chapel One building is open 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Mondays and Wednesdays, with consignments accepted from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Mondays.

For more information, call 377-3217.

## Cycle courses

For information on motorcycle safety courses, call the safety office, 377-2910.

# SPORTS AND RECREATION

## Air Force Marathon one-of-a-kind event

By Kathleen Lopez

Air Force Materiel Command Public Affairs

WRIGHT-PATTERSON Air Force Base, Ohio — The Air Force Marathon, Sept. 15, is the only marathon in the world where runners receive inspiration and encouragement from the skies above, as Air Force aircraft fly overhead continuously throughout the race.

It's the premier Air Force participatory athletic event recognized by the service's 60th anniversary committee.

The race itself is only one of several marathon events that have grown into three days of festivities.

Additionally, the course is being recertified so that spectators have more access to the marathon route, and a new service-wide competition determines which major command has the best long-distance runners.

### Air power demonstrations

Since the inaugural Air Force Marathon in 1997, each one has distinguished itself from the others by designating an aircraft as the featured "star of the show." Thus, the marathon's "look" changes annually.

The C-5 Galaxy, a mainstay in transporting cargo to troops in support of the war on terrorism, carries the honor of representing the 2007 marathon.

With the exception of the first marathon, where the featured plane was the Wright 1909 Military Flyer, all representative aircraft have been those in the modern Air Force arsenal.

Part of the distinction for an aircraft's crew, once the plane is identified to represent the marathon, is to fly it throughout the race to demonstrate its flying capabilities to spectators. The exception to this concept was the 1998 marathon, when the F-22 Raptor didn't fly as it was still in production.

"We figured out then that in future races we would choose aircraft that were an active part of the (Air Force) inventory and could fly throughout the day," said Molly Loudon, Air Force Marathon director. "We realized this was a key building block to making our marathon stand out from the others."

Not including 2001, when the marathon was cancelled due to the 9/11 terrorist attack, featured fighter, bomber and airlift aircraft have inspired runners from the air each year as those runners challenged a tough and historic course.

### 60th anniversary event

This year, the event is going one step further to secure its place in marathon uniqueness. In addition to watching the massive C-5 Galaxy, which can hold an eight-lane bowling alley, marathon runners witness a bevy of other planes flying, as well.

Both marathon and Air Force Materiel Command officials intend for the smaller-scale air power demonstrations to build in future years. So far, other aircraft scheduled to fly this year include the F-15 Eagle and the F-16 Fighting Falcon.

While there are many Air Force 60th anniversary



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For more information, call  
the health and wellness center,  
377-8380.

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events, the Air Force Marathon is the only committee-recognized participatory athletic event. Besides a T-shirt and other trinkets, runners who take part in this year's race declare a unique claim-to-fame.

"As an official 60th Air Force anniversary event, runners participating in the 2007 Air Force Marathon, too, will become a permanent part of our service's history," said AFMC officials.

AFMC has issued a challenge to the men and women of the Air Force. Last year, 5,000 runners participated in the various races; this year, command officials hope to see that number double.

For active-duty Airmen, permissive temporary duty is authorized to participate in the race.

Not only is this year's marathon a historic milestone for the Air Force, the course itself covers hallowed grounds, including Huffman Prairie, where Orville and Wilbur Wright perfected the science of flight following their landmark first flight in 1903.

### Three days of activities

For those not up for running an entire 26.2-mile marathon, there are other options, including a half-marathon, wheelchair and four-person marathon relay races.

Also part of the Air Force Marathon is a 5-kilometer race Sept. 14, Loudon said. Historically run in conjunction with the full marathon, this year begins a new tradition and partnership with neighboring Wright State University, on whose grounds the 5K race takes place.

Other associated Air Force Marathon activities include the Sports and Fitness Exposition Sept. 13-14 at Wright State's Ervin J. Nutter Center, and a gourmet pasta dinner Sept. 14 at the National Museum of the Air Force. World-renowned runners Alberto Salazar and Dick Beardsley and legendary coach Bill Squires sign autographs, conduct clinics, speak at the dinner and participate in the Saturday races, she said.

Additionally, festivities on both race days, including the sounds of the Air Force Band of Flight, are scheduled to take place.

To read more about these events, and to register for the Air Force Marathon, log onto <http://www.usafmarathon.com>.

### Recertified course

One thing long-distance runners appreciate more than anything is throngs of people cheering them on throughout the race, Loudon said. While the race is open to the public to run, parts of the course haven't been open to spectators since 2001.

In the beginning, the Air Force Marathon course, which is run mostly on Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, was open to spectators. The events of 9/11 changed accessibility for them, and runners faced long stretches with few sightings of spectators.

This year, the race is being recertified, enabling family, friends and other well-wishers to better position themselves to cheer on runners throughout the race.

"We are changing the route to include streets in both neighboring downtown Fairborn and on the Wright State University campus," she said.

Additionally, there are hydration stations about every mile, sponsored by local businesses and community groups.

The race is still a Boston Marathon qualifier, as officials from USA Track and Field, the national governing body for long-distance running, bike and measure the route, Loudon said.

The marathon races still finish at the National Museum of the Air Force, where runners make the final stretch of their race down a "runway" flanked by static vintage aircraft and spectators.

### A new competition

New for Airmen is the addition of a service-wide competition, which determines which major command has the best long-distance runners. The stakes are high: The winning major command of runners receives the first Air Force Marathon Commander's Trophy.

The competition is based on a point system which factors both participation and performance in both the full- and half-marathon events, Loudon said. The challenge is intended to serve as incentive for major commands to encourage participation in this nationally-recognized fitness event.

The trophy is awarded annually to the commander of the winning major command by the Air Force chief of staff during the fall Corona.

# Outdoor recreation adventure program offers boating options

By Earlene Smith

## 81st Services Division

The outdoor recreation adventure program is up and running with a variety of events available and more to come.

"Those who prefer their adventure on water can rent our 17-foot Back Bay cruiser," said Rick Randall, outdoor recreation supervisor.

"Mississippi State law requires anyone born after 1980 to complete a boater's safety training class before renting the boat. This can be accomplished by calling 377-3160 no later than May 25 to register for an eight-hour class June 2 at the marina or a person can complete the course by logging on to <http://www.mdwfp.com/level2/education/boatered.asp>."

To some people, deep sea fishing can be quite a venture. Outdoor recreation has a six-person Boston Whaler available for charter.

The \$600 fee includes everything needed to fish. A licensed captain takes customers into the Gulf of Mexico for an opportunity to catch some of the "big ones."

The newest addition to the

fishing fleet and the outdoor adventure program, the Keebler Dolphin II, will be ready for charter soon. The 50-foot boat is powered by two large John Deere engines and travels up to 27 mph. Maximum capacity is 22 passengers.

"We realize not everyone is going to gather 22 people together to go fishing, so we'll be offering individual sign-up trips on the Dolphin II, compressed work schedule working Fridays and Sundays," Randall pointed out.

Randall recently completed intensive wilderness first response and first aid safety training in preparation to lead outdoor adventure trips such as canoeing, fishing, hiking and kayaking.

"It's important people understand these trips are for the adventurous," he said. "All of our trips will involve some risk, be subject to the elements and short on creature comforts. The minimum age for participation is 16."

"Our first excursion is an eight-person canoe trip to Ward Bayou June 16," he added.

For more information or to volunteer for training as trip leaders, call 377-0002.

## Paintball challenge May 31

The 81st Training Wing holds a four-team group challenge paintball tournament, 11 a.m. May 31 at the paintball course.

Ten-member teams represent the 81st Training, Medical and Mission Support Groups and 81st TRW staff agencies.

Matches consist of three games, with five players in action for each game. All four teams play each other, and the team with the most wins is the champion.

The \$100 fee covers weapons, paintballs and gear rentals for team members.

For more information, call Jeffery Rich, 377-7285.



## SCORES AND MORE

### Bowling

#### League standings

##### Monday Night Budweiser (as of April 30)

Team	Won	Lost
Man On!	74	45
Perry's Refrigeration	71	48
Bam! Bam! Bam!	66	53
Slater's Shooters	65	54
Martini's	64	55
Spare Time Pro Shop	62	57
Hoop's Gang	59	60
Wayne's World	58	61
Our Gang	54	65
Gannon's Cannons	58	68
Endangered Species	46	73
Wicked Women	44	75

##### Tuesday Night Hospital (as of May 1)

Team	Won	Lost
Team 7	88	24
Scrubs	72	40
Team 5	72	40
Dirty O's	70	42
Team 2	66	46
Team 1	62	50
The Big O	52	60
Spare Ballz	48	64
Juggonauts	14	98
Team 10	8	96

##### Wednesday Night Mixed (as of May 2)

Team	Won	Lost
JSOT-B	101	39
MUDD	84	56
Go Getters	79	61
Select Few	78	62
WEJUSWANAHAVFUN	76	64
70's Plus	74	66
Bowling Express	73	67
Misfits	72	68
Whatever It Is	68	72
David's Rejects	56	84
Beef O'Brady's 1	55	85

##### Thursday Retired Seniors Mixed (as of May 3)

Team	Won	Lost
Three's Company	88	52
RBL	85	55
Team 18	84	56
The Big O's	82.5	57.5
Team 7	80	60
Team 8	78	62
The Oreos	74	66
B-I-F	70.5	69.5
Groovy 3	66	74
Team 11	65	75
WWD	65	75
TIMEX	65	75
Stars and Strikes	64	76
FAST	63.5	76.5
Team 5	63	77
Team 17	61.5	78.5
Team 1	59	81
Barb's Boys	46	94

##### Thursday Night Federal (as of May 3)

Team	Won	Lost
332th TRS-A	86	50
85th EIS-A	86	50
81st TRSS-A	82	54
85th EIS-B	80	56
SVS Misfits-A	76	60
332nd TRS-B	76	60
81st CES Lite Crew	74	62
333rd TRS-A	72	64
CPTS 5 and Dimes	68	68

335th TRS-A	62	74
338th TRS-A	56	80
81st MSS-A	56	72
81st DS Dental Demons	52	84
333rd TRS-B	34	94

##### Friday Night (as of Friday)

Team	Won	Lost
Sandbaggers	91	49
We'll Think of a Name	77	63
That Won Team	74.5	65.5
Beef O'Brady's	74	66
We Don't Have a Name	73.5	66.5
Team 6	73	67
Team 12	73	67
I Don't Care	66	74
Pin Pals	65	75
Harry's Team	62	78
Bringing Up the Reer	62	78
Team 3	49	91

### Other

**Spouse special** — 1-9:30 p.m. today, 5-8 p.m. Friday and 2-10 p.m. Saturday, spouses bowl together two for the price of one including shoes. Spouses of deployed troops may bring a guest.

**Free tours** — every half hour, 11:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. today. Register at front counter

**May special** — bowl a score with the number 60 and game is free.

**Stars and Strikes** — coming soon. For information, call 377-2817.

**Summer leagues** — sign up for Monday night (three bowlers four games), Thursday morning seniors and Friday night mixed.

**Tuesdays** — teenagers bowl for \$5. Ten lanes available.

**Saturdays** — birthday parties available. For information and reservations, call 377-2817.

**Youth special** — ages 17 and younger bowl for \$1 per game.

**Bowl-a-rama** — 5 p.m. to closing Monday-Friday and all day Saturday. Bowl two hours for \$10.95, including shoe rental.

**Nonprior service students open bowling special** — show UBU club card to bowl for \$1.50 per game until 4 p.m. Saturdays, \$2 per game; Monday-Saturday, \$2 per game after 4 p.m. Shoe rental, \$1. Not applicable with other discounts or specials.

**Fundraisers available** — for more information, call 377-2817.

### Fitness centers

**Wellness expo** — noon to 4 p.m. today, Blake Fitness Center. Booths, demonstrations, health screenings, fitness assessments, healthy snacks and giveaways and "last one standing" competition for ages 18.

**Fitness classes** — step aerobics, turbo-core, cycle/spin, slo-robics and boxing workout. For more information, call 377-2907.

**Blake Fitness Center** — open 4:30 a.m. to 10:30 p.m. Mondays-working Fridays; 6 a.m. to 7 p.m. compressed work schedule Fridays; 8 a.m. to 7 p.m., Saturdays, Sundays and holidays.

**Dragon Fitness Center** — open 6 a.m. to 8 p.m. Mondays-working Fridays. Basketball court is open. Parent-child fitness room open 6 a.m. to 8 p.m. Mondays-working Fridays. Parental supervision required.

**Triangle Fitness Center** — open 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Mondays-working Fridays 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. compressed work schedule Fridays and weekends; closed holidays. Smoothie bar open. For massage therapist appointments, call 263-5515.

For more information, call 377-3056.

### Golf

**Bay Breeze** — course closed until October. Seabee Base's Pine Bayou Course in Gulfport is available. For more information, call 871-2494. St. Andrews, Gulf Hills, Bay Vista and Great Southern Club offer military discounts.

**Bay Breeze driving range** — open 7 a.m. to dusk daily; 30 balls, \$2.

**Golf lessons** — \$25 for 30 minutes. For appointment, call 424-0479.

### Outdoor recreation

**Swimming lesson registration** — through today at outdoor recreation. Pools open May 26.

**Mother's Day special** — Sunday, mothers receive 10 percent discount on boat rental.

**Back Bay cruiser** — 17-foot vessel for rent. For prices, call 377-3160.

**May fishing tournament** — weigh in largest ground mullet and win \$100 savings bond.

**Paintball course** — 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. non working Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays open play, 1-3 p.m. tournaments or group play with reservation. For more information, call 377-3160.

**Pontoon boat training** — required before rental. For more information, call 377-3160.

**Recreational vehicle, boat and trailer storage** — \$15 per month. For more information, call 377-3180.

**Marina park pavilions** — to reserve, call 377-3160.

**Resale area** — snacks, beverages, fishing and rental equipment, and Mississippi hunting and fishing licenses available.

### Running

**Spring Fling 5-kilometer run-walk** — 11 a.m. May 10, Blake Fitness Center.

### Special Olympics

**Volunteer positions** — available for the nerve center, cooking, set-up, water and ice, take-down, cheerers, concessions and other areas during the Mississippi Special Olympics Summer Games, hosted by Keesler May 18-20.

To volunteer, call 377-1676 and leave contact information.

### Youth center

**FitFactor aerobics** — 5 p.m. May 15 and 29, ages 9 and older. Sign up by previous Friday.

**Summer camps** — archery and track and field, ages 6 and older. Sign up by May 25; \$25 members, \$30 nonmembers

**Gymnastics** — 4 p.m. Tuesdays, ages 3-5; 5 p.m. Tuesdays, ages 6 and older. \$30 per month for members, \$35 per month for nonmembers.

**Baseball** — coaches needed; call 377-3349.



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## HONORS

### Quarterly awards, January-March

#### 81st Training Wing

**Airman** — Senior Airman Joy Baker, 81st Training Support Squadron.

**Noncommissioned officer** — Staff Sgt. Nashona Ragland, 81st Medical Support Squadron.

**Senior NCO** — Master Sgt. Keith Davis, 81st Mission Support Squadron.

**Company grade officer** — 2nd Lt. Stephanie Lutz, 81st MSS.

**Field grade officer** — Maj. Jeffrey Van Slyke, 81st Medical Group.

**Honor Guard member** — Staff Sgt. Ryan Cote, 338th Training Squadron.

**Entry-level civilian** — Stephanie Douglas, 81st Training Wing inspector general office.

**Intermediate-level civilian** — Steve McDaniel Jr., 81st MSS.

**Senior-level civilian** — Larry Tabor, 81 TRW plans and programs.

### Student honor roll

#### 332nd Training Squadron

**Basic metrology course** — Airman Basic Sean Mommerency; Airman Matthew Shedd; Senior Airman Badar Al Rashdi; Staff Sgt. Brent Hollar; Master Sgt. Sulaman Al Badi.

**Electronic principles** — Airmen Basic William Austin, Seth Becker, Mathew Boorman, Jovelle Chaison, Michael Cloakey, Samuel Coffin, Andrew Doman, Kyle Donahue, Jeffrey Elam, Ronald Escandon, Christina Garon, Andrew Hinson, Nathan Johnson, Collin Kneubuhler, Rocky Lewis, Scott Malicoat, Arnold Mast, Cesar Molina, Spencer Munson, David Noisom, Michael Olson, Jordan O'Neil, Tinka Peltonen, Sean Perez, Joshua Rodgers, Joshua Rutledge, Scott Short, Kevin Shoultz and Andrew Turner; Airmen James Anderson, Alton Conner, Jason Elsing, Dong Kim, Jonathan Sandoval-Barba, Robert Sinyard and Andrew Wilkerson; Airmen 1st Class Jesus Beltran, Nicholas Cole, Joseph Corra, Patrick Cox, Kenneth Fearon, Isacc Gaillard, Bradford Gallatin, John Govin Richard Griffin, Justin Grubbs, Robert Harmon, Alexander Kerian, Robert Kirby, Nicholas Lile, Jonathan Mariotti, Luke McDonald, Alexis Mitchell, Brent Monistere, Michael Noun, Carolann Peteroli,

Justin Randle, Nathan Roczen, Matthew Sarnecky, Brandon Sewell, Ronn Wade, Aaron Wasden, Matthew Wiesner and Wendy Worley; Senior Airmen Laura Roybal and Pete Wehrly; Staff Sgt Jason Greer.

#### 334th TRS

**Air traffic control operations training flight** — Airmen Basic Jonathon Clough, Jacob Harvey, Brittney McMurphy and Russell Woolstenhulme; Airman Ebony Monroe; Airmen 1st Class Timothy Barclay, Jesse Barney, Nathan Hanson, Robert Hawkins, Eric Ibarra, Joshua Roesly, Rick Roller, Dustin Sorensen, Brent Spotts and Sarah Titone; Senior Airmen Jason Herr and Kenneth Kippley; Staff Sgts. Estevan Bateman, William Berglund, Deanna Carter, Clinton Dykes, Roderick Mance, Robert Mazzocchi, Lamario McPhaul, Andres Montoya, Brian Saunders, Stephen Studenny and Shannon Vital; Senior Master Sgt. Othman Al Zahrani; 1st Lts. Patrick Kuu-ire and Daruisz Wadowski; Capt. Daruisz Czyz.

**Airfield management apprentice course** — Airman Basic Courtney Snyder; Airman 1st Class Brian Richards; Senior Master Sgt. Marcia Dumancas.

**Command post apprentice course** — Airman Basic Destry Taylor; Airmen 1st Class Nathaniel Eisele and Ryan Pochop; Tech. Sgts. Gary Rehak, Caleb Gibson and Corey Kenney; Kelvin Boddy

#### 335th TRS

**Comptroller training flight** — Airmen Basic Jacquette Barnett, Matthew Denos, David Edwards, Joanna Jordan, Teresa Jordan, Joshua Kronwall, James Lewis, Loieni Mouna, Jeffrey Polser, Makenzie Tibbetts, Geoffrey White and Allen Williams; Airman Malissa Deleon; Airmen 1st Class Jessy Babcock, Flavia Grey, Brian Harding, Phatsalavanh Oukham, Christiana Schaefer and Anna Zyska; Senior Airmen Benjamin Blackford and Robert Carman; Staff Sgts. Dawne Crichlow, Arkeisha Lawrence and Trisha Nelson; Tech. Sgt. Justin Hole.

**Weather training flight** — Marine Pvt. Joseph Schroeder; Airmen Danelle Brown and Ryan Harris; Airmen 1st Class Jacob Ballard, David Blair, Benjamin Clark, Cody Drees, Katelynn Flegle, Craig Madara and Kyle Quirk; Senior Airman James Mehlman; Marine Cpls. Ryan Gagnon and Jessica Kruppa; Staff Sgts. Randy Jones and Alan Valentine; Marine Sgt. Valo Gonzalez; Tech. Sgt. Shannon Lilley; Master Sgt Larry Clark.

#### 336th TRS

**Communications-computer systems training flight** — Airman Basic Cody Vore; Airmen 1st Class Martin Evans, Kevin Flanagan, Joseph Hill, Brandon Johns, Kevin Paulson, Jason Plante, Farris Skaff and Jeremy Twidt; Senior Airmen Elizabeth Kerber and Eddie Maltzahn; Staff Sgts. Rex Ching, Nathan Mueller, Eric Sasano, Dustin Simpson and Jason Swenson; Tech. Sgts. Cosme Battalas, David Guy, Dean Peterson and Eric Risner.

**Communications and information management flight** — Airmen Basic Joshua Bauman, Charles Lee and Christopher Toney; Airman Paul Adams; Airmen 1st Class Arthur Buck, Allen Burkes, Jeffrey Deaveiro, Robert Ernst, Jaysiel Garcia, Anthony Martin, Brian McQuillen, David Peek, Everette Pennington, Jonathan Root, Bryan Scharman, Jessica Seeres, James Shuckebrock and Jay Vanvranken; Senior Airmen Bren Calpin, Brandon Jones and Amanda Rollins; Staff Sgts. Lucas Bishop, Kenneth Braden, Christopher Kerens, Robert Mattice, Jeffrey Melson and Johnny Stewart; Senior Master Sgt. Michael Maggiacomo.

#### 338th TRS

**Ground radio apprentice course** — Airmen Basic Mitchell Arne, Richard Hendricks, Bobby Sebring and Sear Twitty; Airmen Aaron Asper and Krystal Miller; Airmen 1st Class Timothy Anderson, Andre Griffin, Caleb Guerrero, Brian Langner, Nicholas Madden, Matthew Nelson, Christopher Slade, Derek Sampson and Hugh Trimble; Senior Airmen Michael Mendoza, Michael Salgado and Jeremiah Word; Staff Sgts. Keythe Ballenger, Lawrence Chang, Anthony Davis, Christopher Dibell, Christopher Kelley, Jeffrey Lacey, Mason McIntyre, Stephen Pedersen, Shala Santiago, Kevin Smith and James Summar; Tech. Sgts. Roarke Singer and Warren Vanvelzer.

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## SHUTTLE SCHEDULE

### 6:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. weekdays

Minutes after hour	Bus stop
:00	:30 332nd TRS, Building 6957
:01	:31 338th TRS, Building 6965
:02	:32 Welch Auditorium
:04	:34 AAFES Furniture Store
:06	:36 Jones/Bryan/Hewes Hall at gazebo
:08	:38 Thomson Hall
:09	:39 New Cody Hall
:11	:41 Supply, civil engineering
:12	:42 Rental store
:13	:43 Shaw House
:14	:44 Old base exchange
:15	:45 McBride Library
:16	:46 Credit union, Blake Fitness Center
:17	:47 Medical center, Tyler House
:18	:48 Sablich Center
:19	:49 Dental clinic
:20	:50 Allee and Wolfe Halls
:21	:51 Base operations
:22	:52 Hangar 4

### Technical training route 5:10-5:37 a.m. weekdays

Minutes after hour	Bus stop
:10	Building 5025
:12	Building 5022
:14	Shaw House
:16	Muse Manor
:18	Tyler House
:20	TLQ east side 2000 block
:21	TLQ east side of Locker House
:25	332nd TRS
:28	Welch Auditorium
:33	Thomson/Dolan/Cody Halls
:34	McClellan Hall
:36	Allee/Wolfe Halls
:37	Stennis Hall/Weather

### Prior-service students lodged off base

**Morning pickup from hotels north of Keesler** — 5 a.m., Red Carpet Inn; 5:10, Travel Inn; 5:15, Beaujolais Villas; 5:20, Suburban Inn and Super 8.

**Afternoon pickup to return to hotels north of Keesler** — 3:30 p.m., street side of Hewes Hall for Bryan, Jones, Hewes and Garrard Halls; 3:33, Cody Hall bus stop for Hangar 3, Thomson, Cody and Dolan Halls; 3:36, E Street side of McClelland Hall; 3:38, back side of Allee Hall for 7-level building, weather training center and Allee, Wolfe, and Stennis Halls.

Wait at the main entrance of hotels for pickup. Allow a five to 10 minute window on arrival time. Traffic in the local area impacts base taxi times.

Call 377-2432 for transportation needs for classes starting after 6:30 a.m. or for service to hotels not listed.

**Editor's note: Duty passengers have priority over "space available" riders. Schedule may be impacted by increased official operations or severe weather. Those who are physically challenged, have excess baggage, medical appointments at off-base hospitals or clinics or unable to ride the base shuttle, call 377-2432 for the base taxi. For more information, call 377-2430. Until further notice, weekend shuttle service isn't available. Taxi service is available on an "as needed" basis.**

## CHAPEL SERVICES

Editor's note: For more information, call 377-2520.

### Roman Catholic

#### Sunday Mass

Triangle Chapel .....9 a.m.

#### Daily Mass

Medical Center chapel.....Monday, Wednesday and Friday, 11:15 a.m.

### Protestant

#### Sunday worship

Larcher Chapel traditional service.....8:30 a.m.

Triangle Chapel contemporary worship service...10:30 a.m.

Triangle Chapel gospel service.....Noon

### Islamic

**Building 2003** — prayer five times daily; Salaat ul-Jumma congregational prayer, noon Friday.

For more information, call 377-2520 or 0327.

### Latter-Day Saints

**The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints** — student group service, 2 p.m. Sundays, Triangle Chapel. For more information, call 396-5274 or 1-616-881-1994.

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## CLASSES

### Airman Leadership School

- Class 07-4 — graduation May 24.
- Class 07-5 — May 30-July 10.
- Class 07-6 — Aug. 2-Sept. 11.
- Class 07-7 — Sept. 18-Oct. 26.

### Keesler NCO Academy

- Class 07-4 — graduation May 24.
- Class 07-5 — May 30-July 10.
- Class 07-6 — Aug. 2-Sept. 11.
- Class 07-7 — Sept. 18-Oct. 26.

### American Red Cross

**Hurricane assistance training** — May 18-20, Mississippi State University Coastal Research and Extension Center, 1815 Poppo Ferry Road, Biloxi. Training designed for people interested in volunteering in their community during hurricane season and other potential disasters. For more information, call 896-4511 or e-mail [apierini@redcross-msgc.com](mailto:apierini@redcross-msgc.com) or [pdessandre@redcross-msgc.com](mailto:pdessandre@redcross-msgc.com).

### Arts and crafts center

**Beginning intarsia woodworking** — 10 a.m. May 19. \$15. Intarsia is the art form of inlaying pieces of wood in a decorative pattern.

**Advanced intarsia** — 10 a.m. Saturday or May 26. \$20. New project each month.

**Beginning pottery** — 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday. \$40 including five pounds of clay and firing for three pieces.

**Mold pouring** — 10 a.m. May 19. \$25 includes first firing. Ages 13 and older. Pour a garden project.

**One-stroke painting** — May 19. Clay pot paint-a-thon. \$30 including supplies. For time, call 377-2821.

**Lawn and garden project** — 1 p.m. May 26. \$10 plus \$3-\$15 cost of individual project.

**Smart girls ceramics** — 2 p.m. May 26. Sign up at youth center.

**Home schoolers gardening** — 2 p.m. May 30. \$10 including supplies.

**Advanced matting** — May 31. \$25. Beginner framing class is prerequisite. Call for time.

**Special for mothers** — all moms who register for a craft class this month receive free gift.

**New classes coming soon** — photography and beading.

**Stamp cards** — earn stamps by renting molds or paying for a firing in multi-craft shop. Fill card and get free mold rental or firing. Fill card having framing done in the frame shop and get 10 percent off next order.

## COAST AREA TRANSIT

**Keesler Express** — runs between the Triangle and Edgewater Mall. Bus service begins from the base, 5:50-8:30 p.m. work days, 9:30 a.m. to 8:30 p.m. compressed work schedule Fridays and Saturdays, and 11:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Sundays.

The route is limited to specific pickup and dropoff points:

- Minutes after hour, bus stop**
- :30 Hercules Street bus stop
- :32 Welch Auditorium
- :45 Pass Road Wal-Mart
- :54 Arrive Edgewater Mall
- :00 Depart Edgewater Mall
- :09 Pass Road Wal-Mart
- :22 Welch Auditorium
- :24 Hercules Street bus stop

The regular adult fare is \$1. An unlimited one-day pass is \$5 and one-month pass is \$45.

For more information, call 896-8080.

### Auto hobby shop

**Beginner auto care classes for groups** — oil changes, tune-ups or brakes. For more information, call 377-3872.

### Chapel

All classes are held at the Triangle Chapel Annex through May. For more information, call 377-2520.

**Protestant Sunday school** — 9:15-10:15 a.m. for infants, children, teens and adults.

**Team Kids Sunday** — 4-5:30 p.m. grades K-6.

**Men's luncheon Bible study** — Tuesdays noon-1 p.m.

**Women's Wednesday morning Bible class** — 9-11 a.m.

**Wednesday night Bible study** — 6-7:30 p.m.

**Women's breakfast Bible study** — 10 a.m. to noon first Saturday of the month.

**Men's breakfast Bible study** — 9 a.m. to noon second Saturday of the month.

**Friday night youth teens** — call 377-2520.

### Family advocacy

**Anger management** — 10 a.m. to noon Tuesdays. For more information, call 377-6216, 376-3458 or e-mail [susan.pyles@keesler.af.mil](mailto:susan.pyles@keesler.af.mil).

### McBride Library

**Library services orientations** — 6:30 p.m. Wednesdays.

**Fax special** — through Friday, military spouses send fax for 50 cents a page.

**Book display** — new selections for ages through grade 3.

## TICKETS AND TRIPS

**New Orleans School of Cooking** — 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. May 18. \$45 including admission and transportation. Sign up and prepay by May 16.

**National World War II Museum in New Orleans** — 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. May 19. \$45 includes admission, lunch and transportation. Sign up and prepay by May 16.

**Robert Trent Jones golf getaway** — June 8-10. \$265 per person including transportation, lodging, continental breakfast, greens fees, shared golf carts and all applicable taxes. Pay in full by Monday.

**Discounted tickets** — for many attractions including Busch Gardens, Sea World, Universal Studios and Disney World in Florida. For price list, log on to <https://www.mil.keesler.af.mil/81svs/WhattoDo/ITT/index.htm>.

**Information on area and out-of-state attractions** — free brochures for Louisiana, Mississippi, Alabama, Florida and Georgia.

## CLUBS AND CENTERS

### Vandenberg Community Center

**Pamper your spouse** — 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. today. Massage therapy, demonstrations, gifts, prizes and shuttle service to wellness expo.

**Pool tournaments** — 6 p.m. Mondays and Tuesdays.

**Dance revolution** — 6 p.m. Wednesdays.

**Dances** — 6 p.m. to midnight Thursdays before compressed work schedule Fridays, and Fridays and Saturdays. \$3.

**Halftime Cafe** — closed for renovations.

**American Idol night** — 7 p.m. Tuesdays. Watch the TV show and be a judge.

**Board game night** — 6 p.m. Tuesdays.

**Survivor night** — 7 p.m. Thursdays. Can you be the ultimate survivor?

### Katrina Kantina

All ranks invited — open 3:30 p.m. Tuesdays-Fridays. Snacks, beverages and music.

**It's your choice** — select between two club cards.

**Dr. Dick's karaoke show** — 5 p.m. Thursdays.

**Thirsty Thursday** — 5 p.m. May 24. Country/western night with ribs and fixings. \$6 members, \$8 nonmembers.

**Taco Tuesdays** — members two tacos for \$1, nonmembers \$2.

**Catering** — experts can assist with event planning.

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## DINING HALL MENUS

### Today

**Lunch** — herbed baked chicken, beef and noodles, fried catfish, blackeyed peas with rice, mashed potatoes, gravy, sweet potatoes, mixed vegetables, peas, fruit salad, potato salad, cream of broccoli soup, cheeseburger soup, frontier chicken chili, cannonball sandwich and Italian pepper beef sandwich.

**Dinner** — roast pork loin, jaegerschnitzel veal, chicken cordon bleu, potato halves, orange rice, gravy, carrots, pinto beans, corn combo, fruit salad, potato salad, cream of broccoli soup, chicken and wild rice soup, chili, cannonball sandwich and Italian pepper beef sandwich.

### Friday

**Lunch** — Mexican baked chicken, country-style steak, stuffed peppers, macaroni and cheese, mashed potatoes, gravy, corn on the cob, beans, Spanish beans, peas and carrots, pasta salad, three-bean salad, chicken with wild rice soup, onion soup, chili, barbecue pork sandwiches and burritos.

**Dinner** — lasagna, spaghetti with meat sauce, chicken cacciatore, rice, gravy, broccoli, cauliflower, Italian baked beans, corn O'Brien, pasta salad, three-bean salad, chicken with wild rice soup, onion soup, chili, barbecue pork sandwiches and burritos.

### Saturday

**Lunch** — baked chicken, beef yakisoba, canned ham, baked potatoes, rice pilaf, gravy, broccoli, peas, carrots, fruit medley, kidney bean salad, raisin sauce, clam chowder, tomato florentine soup and buffalo wings.

**Dinner** — fish almondine, stir-fry chicken with broccoli, pork chops, rissole potatoes, rice pilaf, gravy, calico corn, club spinach, fried okra, fruit medley, kidney bean salad, clam chowder, tomato florentine soup, chicken frontier chili and buffalo wings.

### Sunday

**Lunch** — baked fish, sauerbraten, chicken breast parmesan, au gratin potatoes, egg noodles, gravy, cauliflower combo, mixed vegetables, fried cabbage, tomato salad, German coleslaw, cheesy chicken tortilla soup, baked potato chowder, chili and cheese pizza.

**Dinner** — ginger barbecue chicken, fried shrimp, beef manicotti, potato wedges, mashed potatoes, gravy, black-eyed peas, collard greens, corn O'Brien, tomato salad, German coleslaw, cheesy chicken tortilla soup, baked potato chowder, chili and cheese pizza.

### Monday

**Lunch** — Swiss steak, baked chicken, sausage, peppers and onions, rice, mashed potatoes, gravy, broccoli, carrots, cucumber and onion salad, macaroni salad, chicken dumplings soup, minestrone, chili with beans, cannonball sandwich and chicken nuggets.

**Dinner** — turkey, ribeye steak, tempura fish, mashed potatoes, cornbread dressing, gravy, succotash, tempura vegetables, green beans, garden cottage cheese salad, macaroni salad, chicken dumpling soup, minestrone, chili with beans, cannonball sandwich and chicken nuggets.

### Tuesday

**Lunch** — lemon garlic fish, pork schnitzel steak, beef and yakisoba, ginger rice, mashed potatoes, gravy, pinto beans, spinach, squash, spinach salad, waldorf salad, frontier chicken chili, beef pot roast soup, vegetable soup, steak and cheese subs and tacos.

**Dinner** — roast pork loin, barbecue beef cubes, chicken fajitas, O'Brien potatoes, rice, gravy, cauliflower, corn on the cob, lima beans, waldorf salad, frontier chicken chili, beef pot roast soup, vegetable soup, steak and cheese subs and tacos.

### Wednesday

**Lunch** — lasagna, spaghetti with meat sauce, chicken cacciatore, noodles, baked potatoes, baked beans, green beans, simmered squash, Mexican coleslaw, frijole salad, pasta fagioli soup, chicken tortilla soup, chili, cheese fishwich and cheese pizza.

**Dinner** — spaghetti with meat sauce, Swiss steak, fried chicken, rice, mashed potatoes, gravy, fried cauliflower, asparagus, simmered cabbage, coleslaw, country style tomatoes, chicken noodle soup, potato soup, chili with beans, cheese fishwich and cheese pizza.

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## Youth center

**Annual membership** — \$25, ages 9 and older. Discount prices on programs, classes and sports.

**TRAIL Keystone Club meeting** — 6 p.m. May 22, ages 13 and older.

**FitFactor activities** — 5 p.m. Tuesday and May 29, ages 9 and older. Sign up by previous Friday.

**Home alone workshop** — 5 p.m. May 17, ages 10 and older accompanied by parent. Sign up by May 14. Minimum three parent/youth teams.

**Super Saturdays** — 1-5 p.m., ages 6 and older. Sign up by previous Wednesday. \$4 members, \$5 nonmembers.

**Track and field and archery camps** — ages 6 and older. Sign up by May 25. \$25 members, \$30 non members.

**Summer camp** — pick up registration package now.

**TRAIL Keystone Club meeting** — 10 a.m. Friday, ages 13-17.

**Power hour** — 4:30-5:30 p.m. Mondays-Fridays, ages 6-12.

**Super Saturdays** — 1-5 p.m. Recreation programs for ages 6 and older. \$4 for members, \$5 nonmembers. Sign up on previous Wednesdays.

**FitFactor aerobics** — 5 p.m. Tuesdays and Wednesdays, ages 9 and older. Sign up Friday prior to scheduled event.

## TRANSITIONS

### Workshops, briefings

**Veterans benefits briefing** — 1-4 p.m. today, June 21, July 19, Aug. 16, Sept. 13, Oct. 18, Nov. 8 and Dec. 13, Room 151, old Cody Hall. To pre-register or for more information, call 377-2179.

**Mandatory pre-separation briefings** — Tuesdays at 8:30-9:30 a.m. for those separating with honorable discharges and 9:30-10:30 a.m. for retirees. Afternoon sessions are Thursdays at 1-2 p.m. for those separating with honorable discharges (not general under honorable conditions) and 2:30-3:30 p.m. for retirees. Briefings are in Room 122, old Cody Hall. Bring one copy of separation or retirement orders. This appointment is required by law, and must be accomplished 90 calendar days before the separation/retirement date. For short-notice separations or retirements, the briefing should be done as soon as possible.

**Transition assistance program workshop** — 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. June 18-20, July 16-18, Aug. 13-15, Sept. 10-12, Oct. 15-17, Nov. 13-15 and Dec. 10-12, Room 151, old Cody Hall. Dress is business casual; no jeans, T-shirts or uniforms. To pre-register or

for more information, call 377-2179.

**Retirement briefings** — intended for those with less than a year until retirement, 8-11 a.m. June 14, July 12, Aug. 9, Sept. 6, Oct. 4, Nov. 1 and Dec. 6, Room 151, old Cody Hall. To pre-register or for more information, call 377-2179.

**Palace Chase briefings** — 10 a.m. first two working Fridays of the month, Room 203, Garrard Hall. For more information, call Master Sgt. Joseph Walker, 377-2116.

**Resume preparation for military spouses program** — 1-2:30 p.m. May 16, Room 122, old Cody Hall. For more information, call Ron Bublik at the airman and family readiness center, 377-8592, or e-mail ronald.bublik@keesler.af.mil.

**Basic interviewing skills for military spouses program** — 1-2:30 p.m. May 21, Room 122, old Cody Hall. For more information, call Ron Bublik at the airman and family readiness center, 377-8592, or e-mail ronald.bublik@keesler.af.mil.

### Employment opportunities

**Walk-in interviews** — with Paige Howe, direct hire consultant with Manpower, 1-4 p.m. Monday, Room 122, old Cody Hall. For more information, call Ron Bublik at the airman and family readiness center, 377-8592, or e-mail ronald.bublik@keesler.af.mil.

**Gulfport WIN Job Center briefing** — 1-3:30 p.m., May 15, Room 122, old Cody Hall. For more information, call Ron Bublik at the airman and family readiness center, 377-8592, or e-mail ronald.bublik@keesler.af.mil.

**Career focus program for spouses** — information on area employment opportunities, job Web sites, human resources contacts, temporary jobs, on-base listings and free training programs. Computer lab available for resume preparation or job search; located in Room 121, old Cody Hall. For an appointment, call Ron Bublik at the airman and family readiness center, 377-8592, or e-mail ronald.bublik@keesler.af.mil.

**Executive transition assistance program** — <https://www.r.aetc.af.mil/dp/etap>. Online registration dates are June 5-14 for Aug. 21-24 at Little Rock Air Force Base, Ark.; and Sept. 12-21 for Nov. 27-30 program at Randolph AFB, Texas.

**Junior ROTC** — immediate employment opportunities for retired or retiring Air Force officers and noncommissioned officers. Those who retired within the past 10 years or are six months from retirement may qualify to be an instructor. To apply or for more information, go to <http://www.afoats.af.mil> and select "AFJROTC" or call Jo Alice Talley, toll free 1-866-235-7682, extension 7742; DSN 493-7742, or commercial (334) 953-7742.

**Opportunities for medics** — for members separating from active duty interested in the Air Force Reserve or the Palace Chase programs, call Master Sgt. Joseph Walker, 377-7116, for an appointment. His office is in Room 229, old Cody Hall.

**Opportunities for medics** — the Air Force Reserve needs flight surgeons, doctors, dentists and nurses. Some opportunities are available with the 403rd Aeromedical Staging Squadron at Keesler. Eligible members enjoy many military benefits of being in the military and earn retirement credit, while serving two days per month of inactive training and two weeks of active-duty training each year. Some members may be eligible for signing bonus or loan repayment. For more information, call Tech. Sgt. George Adams, health professions recruiter, 377-7655, or e-mail [george.adams@keesler.af.mil](mailto:george.adams@keesler.af.mil).

### Web sites

**Defense Manpower Data Center** — <http://www.dmdc.osd.mil/dors> or <http://www.dmdc.osd.mil/tbb>.

**Air Force Blue to Corporate Gray** — <http://www.bluetogray.com>.

**Air Force Federal Employment Resume and Information** — <http://www.afpc.randolph.af.mil/resweb>.

**Civilian job certification and licensing requirements for military personnel and veterans** — <http://www.dol.gov/dol/vets>.

**Department of Veterans Affairs** — <http://www.vba.va.gov/efif/index.htm>; for members returning from Operations Enduring Freedom and Iraqi Freedom.

**Southern Region Military and Civilian Job Fair** — <http://www.mesc.state.ms.us/jobfair>.

**New military spouse career center** — <http://www.military.com/spouse>. Extensive job board including public and private sectors. For more information, call Vince Patton, 703-269-0154, or e-mail at [vince@militaryadvantage.com](mailto:vince@militaryadvantage.com).

**Military Connection** — online resources database for military family members seeking civilian employment at <http://www.militaryconnection.com>

**America's Job Bank** — <http://www.ajb.dni.us>.

## Computer use

**Government computers** — commanders may authorize their use for preparation of personal resumes by people separating or retiring from the service on an "as available" basis as long as use doesn't adversely affect the mission.

**Transition employment opportunities public folder** — go to e-mail "public folders" and click on "transition employment opportunities" for job opportunities for active-duty and family members. For more information, call 377-8592 or 8593.

## MEETINGS

**Editor's note: To list time, place and contact for organization meetings, call 377-3837 or e-mail KN@keesler.af.mil.**

**African-American Heritage Committee** — 3:30 p.m. second Tuesday of the month, Room 109, Taylor Logistics Building. For more information, call Paulette Powell, 377-2270, or Kurt Higgins, 377-1390.

**Air Force Sergeants Association** — 7 a.m. third Tuesday of the month, Live Oak Dining Hall. For more information, call Master Sgt. Kat Hataway, 377-5566 or visit the group's Web site, <http://www.afsa652.org>.

**Air Force Sergeants Association Auxiliary** — 6 p.m. third Tuesday of the month. For more information, call Michelle Foster, 273-4591 or e-mail [auxiliary.president@afsa652.org](mailto:auxiliary.president@afsa652.org).

**Airmen Against Drunk Driving** — 3:15 p.m. first Tuesday of the month, Vandenberg Community Center second floor conference room. For more information, call Tech. Sgt. Brian Yelton, 377-0167, or e-mail [keesler.aaddofficers@keesler.af.mil](mailto:keesler.aaddofficers@keesler.af.mil).

**At Eze Toastmasters Club** — 11 a.m. Tuesdays, Building 1101 conference room. For more information, call Chief Master Sgt. Don Seaton, 377-5958, or Fred Blache, 377-1048, or visit <http://www.toastmasters.org>.

**Company grade officers council** — meets first Wednesday of the month. For time and location, call Chaplain (Capt.) Michael Howard, 377-4859.

**Keesler Amateur Radio Club** — 6:30 p.m. Mondays, Hangar 3, Room 215. Check out the club repeater on 146.79 negative offset. For more information, call Staff Sgt. Justin Meyer, 377-4149 or 324-5806, or e-mail [justin.meyer2@keesler.af.mil](mailto:justin.meyer2@keesler.af.mil).

**Keesler Christian Home Educators Association** — 7-9 p.m. second Tuesday of the month, September-May, Larcher Chapel. For more information, call Michelle Durkin, 872-9393, or e-mail [cshelle1m@yahoo.com](mailto:cshelle1m@yahoo.com).

**Keesler Spouses Club** — second Tuesday of the month. For time and location, call Tammie Searfass, 273-4324, or visit <http://www.KeeslerSpousesClub.com>.

**Native American Heritage Committee** — for more information, call R.I. Whiteside, 863-0479, or Capt. Elizabeth Taillon, 377-6242.

**Retired Enlisted Association Magnolia Chapter 81** — 6:30 p.m. second Thursday of the month, Vandenberg Community Center. For more information, call Larry McKean, 377-3252 or 374-5922.

**Rising VI Association** — 3:15 p.m. third Wednesday of the month, Room 121, Thompson Hall. For more information, call Staff Sgts. Patrick McKimmie, 377-1513, or James Pope, 377-1305.

**Top III** — meeting times and locations vary. For more information, call Master Sgt. Nicole Pearson, 377-6510.

**Tuskegee Airmen Inc., Col. Lawrence E. Roberts Chapter** — 11 a.m. third Wednesday of the month, Katrina Kantina. For more information, call Master Sgt. Glenda Mosby, 377-0178, or e-mail [gmosby1@bellsouth.net](mailto:gmosby1@bellsouth.net).

## MISCELLANEOUS

### Movies

**Editor's note: Movies are at Welch Auditorium. Tickets are \$3 for adults and \$1.50 for children for regular features, and \$2.50 for adults and \$1 for children for matinees. For a recording about current features, call 377-6627.**

**Friday** — 6:30 p.m., Reign Over Me (R, 125 minutes).

**Saturday** — 2 p.m., Pride (PG, 104 minutes); 6:30 p.m., Shooter (R, 124 minutes).

**Sunday** — 2 p.m., Meet the Robinsons (G, 92 minutes).

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